

# *Executive Proclamation*

## *State of South Dakota*

### *Office of the Governor*

*Whereas*, Modern medicine is dependent upon technology to provide current, accurate information about the medical condition of patients to our healthcare providers; and,

*Whereas*, As medical technology advances, healthcare facilities must keep pace by providing quality, well-trained professionals capable of understanding the complexity of medical equipment operation and applications; and,

*Whereas*, The complexity of medical technology today and in the future makes it essential that those individuals responsible for the care, safety, and accuracy of this equipment are recognized as an invaluable resource to the healthcare industry; and,

*Whereas*, Biomedical equipment technicians, clinical engineers, and other medical technology professionals uniquely serve patients, the medical community, and new technology development to improve the quality of today's healthcare; and,

*Whereas*, These professionals research, recommend, install, inspect, and repair medical devices and other complicated medical systems, as well as advise and train others concerning the safe and effective use of medical devices, thereby controlling healthcare costs and improving patient safety; and,


*Whereas*, It is fitting and proper as governor to make public note of the contributions Biomedical Equipment Technicians make to the quality of medical care provided in South Dakota:

*Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds*, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim May 10-16, 2009, as

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in South Dakota.

*In Witness Whereof*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-second Day of April in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Nine.

  
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M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

  
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Chris Nelson, Secretary of State

